

APRIL 2024 MARKET COMMENTARY

COMPLIANCE

UK

GDP

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Ted Baker

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Papa Johns

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Currys

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Vodafone- Three

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EUROPE

Eurozone inflation

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HelloFresh

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Gucci

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US

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Election

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Baltimore bridge

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Unemployment

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Reddit

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FAR EAST

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US trade

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Hacking

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EMERGING MARKETS

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